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JARRING HAS COFFEE

U.N. Mideast mediator has new plan for demilitarized zones; hopes both sides will accept, according to indications from Cairo, Amman and Jerusalem.

In the meantime, Israel cleaned up two terrorist nests near Nablus.

Polish agitators in Toronto

ACCUSE "ZIONISTS" OF "SLANDER"

LEFTIST WEEKLY HERE DEFENDS WARSAW COMNAZIS

by a CJN reporter

A Polish language, extreme leftist weekly appearing in Toronto has begun to echo the "anti-Zionist" propaganda of the Polish Communist government. In its recent issue this publication, Kronika Tygodniowa, attacks especially the Toronto press for publicizing the recent Holy Blossom meeting against the persecutions in Poland.

According to Kronika Tygodniowa, Canadians have been exposed recently to a campaign of "lies and slander" against Communist Poland, particularly by the "Zionist" leaders.

The Polish pro-Communist weekly neither denies nor contradicts any news item relevant to the regime of oppression prevailing in Poland against the survivors of Hitlerite extermination. But it dispenses with all the accusations in the Moscow tradition of relegating them to "slander".

This report about the antioppression demonstrations throughout Canada is but one of the manifestations of a campaign of hatred and subtle anti-Jewish insinuations disseminated by the extreme leftist Polish organizations in Toronto and elsewhere in Canada.

This campaign has been waged recently all over North America.

The same leftist weekly attacks Sydney Goldberg, publisher of the United States magazine, The Exchange, because Exchange dared unmask the wife of the Polish Ambassador to The United States, Mira Michalowska, Jewish by origin, who defends the antisemitic policy of the Warsaw government.

Mrs. Michalowska, who writes for Polish literary magazines under her maiden name, Maria Zientar, also published recently some articles in Harper's Magazine, which were denounced by American sources as cheap Polish Communist propaganda.

Thus the Toronto Polish weekly continuously tells its readers all about "the Zionists", of course the enemies of Poland, while those supporting the present anti-Jewish policy of the Polish government are "progressives".

Whenever a diplomat of Jewish origin or a Jewish professor is fired from a Polish university, this weekly applaudes. The Kronika Tygodniowa is very happy because such prominent Polish intellectuals of Jewish origin like Kolakowski, Lasota, Brus and Katz-Suchy, Poland's long time ambassador to the United Nations, have lost their positions at Warsaw University. Needless to say, according to this publication agitating Poles here against the "Zionists", these intellectuals have been fired "for inciting the youth."

It seems that the representatives and spokesmen of the Polish antisemitic Communist government now have begun launching a campaign to arouse Canadians of Polish descent against their Jewish neighbors. For the moment, apparently, those in charge of Jewish public relations here are not aware of this intensive propaganda against "Zionists" among Poles in Canada.

CARDINAL TO NOUVEAU MONDE

JEWS CAN MAKE CHOICE FOR FRENCH SCHOOLS

By Yvon Leduc

The Jews of Quebec, and they alone, will have to decide whether they enter the French language school system, Quebec's Minister of Education, Jean-Guy Cardinal, told Nouveau Monde in an exclusive interview.

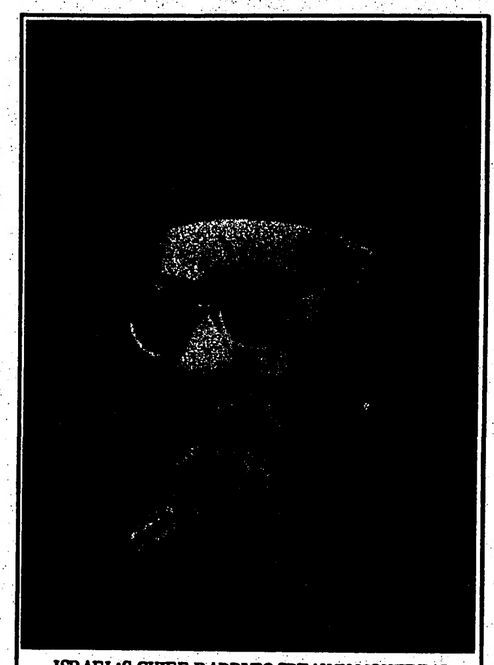
The April issue of Nouveau Monde, the new Canadian French magazine under Jewish auspices, the second issue of which appeared last week, publishes an exclusive interview with the Hon. Jean-Guy Carnal.

Mr. Cardinal, stating that he is averse to imposing any language upon ethnic groups and recognizing the fact that the Jews' religion, language and culture are intimately related, says there is no obstacle to their sending their children to French language schools. It is not true, said Mr. Cardinal, that French language schools are Catholic schools by law. The Jews can profit from a French school system, yet remain Jews.

Nouveau Monde, published by the editors of The Canadian Jewish News, also contains an interesting article by Andre Luchaire, one of Quebec's most prominent writers, in which some leaders of the Jewish community are criticized for their preference to non-religious schools.

Mr. Luchaire, who is considered the outstanding expert on Jewish affairs in Montreal's La Presse, says that the time has come for the Jewish community to join French Canada in its cultural battle. He also criticizes the Canadian Jewish Congress whose leading personalities, according to him, follow the tradition of the Jewish Grande Bourgeoisie in preference to secular schools, and takes it to task for ignoring the French character of Montreal.

Mr. Luchaire believes the policy of the Canadian Jewish Congress leadership has something to do with the fact that Jewish day schools have not received the recognition and tax support to which they are entitled.



ISRAEL'S CHIEF RABBI TO SPEAK IN MONTREAL. The Rev. Itzhaq Nissim, Israel's Chief Rabbi, who will address the fourth annual convention of the Quebec region of Orthodox Jewish Congregations.

Chief Rabbi Nissim will speak on Sunday, May 12th, at the Beth Zion Congregation where the convention will be held.

The announcement of this first visit of Israel's Chief Rabbi to Canada was made by Dr. Melvyn Schwartzben, president of the region, and Edward Shaffer and Allan Glazer, cochairmen of the convention.

Chief Rabbi Nissim will speak in Hebrew and French.

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

Goldmann

In a most gallant editorial dealing with Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, Davar, one of Israel's leading newspapers close to the Prime Minister, declared: discussion of Goldmann's recent statements is superfluous since the Jewish leader has announced finally that he will not be a candidate again for the presidency of the World Zionist Organization. – Is it irrelevant?

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Recently pandemonium broke loose in Israel with almost all the newspapers attacking Goldmann for his "off the record" talk with Senator J. W. Fulbright on Israel's alleged reluctance to compromise. Fulbright, in a public address, revealed Goldmann had asked him to intervene through the State Department with the Israeli Government in order to pressure Jerusalem to some concessions in advance of direct negotiation.

In his "denial", Nahum Goldmann stated that his conversation with Fulbright was "mainly on the situation in the Middle East." However, the fact that the executive of the World Zionist Organization and the Israeli Government through Aba Eban publicly stated that Goldmann does not speak for Israel somewhat places a question mark to Goldmann's explanation.

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This is not the first time Dr. Nahum Goldmann, in the tradition of certain Zionist leaders, believes he has the right to interpret the position of Israel to the world. In many instances this president of a number of Jewish organizations took it upon himself to solve difficult problems–and failed.

Twenty years ago, during the heat of the Stalin murders followed by the infamous Doctors' Plot, Dr. Goldmann made apologetic declarations on behalf of Russia. Upon many an occasion he assured friends he could settle the "misunderstanding" between Moscow and the Jewish people. He did not.

Similar statements were made by Goldmann and some of his friends many times concerning Czechoslovakia, Poland and some Arab countries. All his assurances, of course, culminated in Don Quixoteism. Yet the world president of all kinds of world organizations persevered in speaking as though he had succeeded in entering into serious negotiations with governments as "the representative" of "the Jewish people".

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Regarding his recent talks with Senator Fulbright, the president of the World Zionist Organization forgot that he does not speak for Israel; that Israel has an elected government truly representative of its people; that Israel is not a paper organization which every Tom, Dick and Harry can involve in diplomatic talks.

Thus last week at a Cabinet meeting of the Israeli government, in response to an interpellation by Minister Menachem Begin, Prime Minister Levi Eshkol declared that Goldmann had assured him he did not say the things Fulbright ascribed to him. To this, Foreign Minister Aba Eban added: on many occasions and in various instances the Israeli government declared that Dr. Nahum Goldmann did not represent the Israeli government nor was Dr. Goldmann empowered to make any statements on its behalf.

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Now that Dr. Goldmann has assured the World Zionist Organization he is not running for office anymore, perhaps this incident will influence other Jewish personalities outside Israel to desist from talking and acting as though they, not Israel's representatives, speak on behalf of the Jewish state.

As I have pointed out on other occasions, the time has come for Zionists to recognize the Jewish state not only de facto but also de jure. The period when the World Zionist Organization had some official status acting on behalf of the people dwelling in Zion ended in 1948.

BEGIN:

WE LEARNED LESSON

Jerusalem. – After what happened during the holocaust, "let no nation dare tell us that the threat to annihilate the Jews is only propaganda intended for internal consumption," Menahem Begin, Minister without Portfolio, declared in Tel Aviv.

He was addressing a meeting of former Warsaw residents on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising.

Mr. Begin said the lesson to be drawn from the ghetto revolt was that the word "genocide" must be erased from the lexicon of all the nations.

What really happened in Warsaw? (See Page 2)

MASS MEETING THURSDAY

Next Thursday evening, April 25th, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising will be observed in Toronto at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

On the program are, among others: Dr. Aba Gefen, Consul General of the State of Israel; Margalit Stander, former actress of the Kameri Theater in Tel Aviv, who will recite two poems of the holocaust; Mrs. Chava Rosenfarb-Morgentaler, survivor of the Ghetto of Lodz and Yiddish poetess, who will speak in Yiddish; Meyer W. Gasner, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region; Rabbi Emanuel Forman who will interpret the religious significance part of the memorial.

Others participating are: Cantor Nathan Adler, who will chant the mourner's prayer; the Shaarei Shomayim choir; Abie Pesses, who will represent the Jewish campus youth. Among the guests will be Lt.-Gov. of Ontario, the Hon. W. Earl Rowe. Co-chairman of the arrangements committee are Kalmen Berger and Saul Sigler.

BACK TO OFFICE: Moshe Dayan, leaning on aide, on way to his office from hospital.

TURKEY ASSURES JEWS

Turkey, (JCNS).– Turkish Jews have received official assurances that their citizenship rights are protected and guaranteed by the Constitution. The Minister of State, Mr. Seyfi Ozturk, has told the leader of the Istanbul community to live and work peacefully.

These assurances have followed Jewish expressions of deep concern over the current campaign being conducted by the extreme Moslem orthodox and Right-wing newspaper "Bugun" which is maintaining its daily attacks on the Jewish community with statements drawn from the sayings of Nazi leaders.

"Bugun" publishes lists of Jewish businessmen and Jewish-owned firm and calls on Moslem Turks to boycott them.

A front-page report icommenting on them critically, have drawn the ire of "Bugun", which front-paged its comments with the headline: "World Zionism takes position against 'Bugun': British Jews tell Turkish Government 'make "Bugun" shut up'".

The report described the "Jewish Chronicle" as the organ "of world Zionism" and commented; "Let us tell these dirty Jews that neither the moral and material pressure of world Zionism nor the pressure of the Government – which we do not expect – can move us from our path".

CONCERN CONVEYED BY GOVERNOR

The concern of Turkish Jewry was conveyed to the Secretary of State by the Governor of Istanbul, Mr. Vefa Poyraz, who had earlier received a delegation ked by the Chief Rabbi, Rabbi David Asseo, who voiced the widespread anxiety of the community. The Governor promised that all the necessary measures would be taken, as did the Attorney-General.

In his annual message to the nation, President Sunay referred to the threat of religious fanaticism which had been made manifest. Islam, he declared, was actually the "religion of unity" and, he said, all citizens were guaranteed their religious faith by the Constitution. He urged the nation to stand against religious extremism.

Argentina: $ 15 million for Israel

Buenos Aires, Argentina (JCNS) - Dr. Israel Goldstein, the president of the Keren Hayesod, and Yosef Almogi, a former Israeli Cabinet Minister, attended a rally at the Opera House here to launch the 1968 United Jewish Appeal in Argentina.

Until 1966 Argentine Jewry used to subscribe about an average of $1-1/2 m. Last year, the UJA collected nearly $15 m. and the organizers are confident that they will reach at least this total this year.

NEW SOVIET ANTISEMITIC CAMPAIGN IN FULL SWING

London, (JCNS) - "All Zionist organizations in the world are spy centres for the United States and Israel . . . The Israeli Foreign Minister, Abba Eban, is an American-trained spy . . ."

These statements, in an article in Sovetskaya Rossiya, mark the reintroduction of anti-Zionism as a weapon in the mounting campaign against liberal-minded intellectuals in the Soviet Union, openly admitted by Soviet spokesmen to be their reaction to events in Poland.

Sovetskaya Rossiya, the daily of the Government and Communist Party of the Russian Soviet Federal Socialist Republic (of which Moscow is the capital), has a circulation of 2-1/2 million.

As soon as it began publication in the late 1950s it became one of the most virulently anti-Jewish of all Soviet newspapers, and remains so today.

The tone of its latest article is reminiscent of Soviet press material at the beginning of 1953, the year of the so-called Doctors' Plot, when a group of Jewish doctors was accused of poisoning Soviet leaders and conspiring to poison others.

In the hysterical atmosphere of anti-Liberalism now reigning in the Soviet Union, Jews – for whom the word Zionists is a euphemism – are liable to have the most fantastic charges levelled against them.

At the same time, the Soviet press reprinted in full the speech by Mr. Wladyslaw Gomulka, general secretary of the Polish Workers' (Communist) Party, describing the three types of Jews he said that existed in Poland: the Zionist, the cosmopolitan and the assimilated Jew.

RELATIVE OF SOVIET MARSHAL ZHUKOV FOUGHT IN SIX-DAY WAR

London, (JCNS). – A relative of Marshal Zhukov, Russia's most celebrated commander in the Second World War, fought in the Israeli Army in the Six-Day War, the JCNS has learned.

He is Yakov Ginzburg, a talented painter, whose father, Chaim Ginzburg, married Lidia Zhukova, a close relative of Marshal Zhukov. She was also a Soviet swimming champion. And Mr. Chaim Ginsburg also had a famous relative – Achad Ha'am, the Hebrew poet and writer.

Though he reached a high rank in the Soviet Army, Ginsburg decided to leave Russia with his wife for Poland. From there they emigrated to Israel.

Their son, Yacov, a member of the Israeli Association of Plastic Artists, fought in an infantry unit in the Six-Day War. And, being a relative of the marshal, he surely distinguished himself.

Marshal Zhukov, who became the most popular military figure in the Soviet Union, was dismissed by Stalin after the war and little has been heard of him since. The news that a relative of his fought for Israel is hardly to rehabilitate him in the eyes of the Kremlin leaders.

YUGOSLAV DENOUNCE POLISH ANTISEMITISM

London, (JCNS) - "Kommunist", the leading ideological journal of the Yugoslav Communist Party, has denounced Polish antisemitism in sharp and unambiguous terms.

A veteran Communist writer, Oscar Davico, writing in the newspaper, attacked "the blindness of certain Polish circles" in Poland which, instead of going to the real roots of student unrest, choose "to single out some Jews for blame as the cause of all the unpleasant things which happened".

BAR JEWISH BOXER

Rabat, Morocco (JCNS) - The Moroccan Boxing Federation has refused an application by the Moroccan Jewish boxer, Nessim Cohen who now lives in France, to be allowed to take part in an international boxing tournament in Casablanca.

He and two French professionals, Daniel Bohu and Roger Guimier had been invited to a tournament to be held in the Casablanca Fair arena where Nessim Cohen won several Moroccan titles before taking up residence in France.

It is thought that the Moroccan Boxing Federation feared incidents if Cohen were to have boxed against a Moroccan Moslem.

HEADS NATIONAL HONORARY SOCIETIES FOR ISRAEL. – Albert Latner, prominent in Canada's construction industry, has just been appointed to the top post of chairman of the Toronto Chapter, National Honorary Societies for Israel, State of Israel Bonds. As pace-setters and standard-bearers for Israel's economic development since the establishment of the Israel Bond program, members of the Society have accepted to play an even greater role in Israel's Twentieth anniversary year.

Mr. Latner as chairman of the National Honorary Societies will be responsible for the enrollment and reenrollment of new and continuing members in this distinguished world-wide body of dedicated leaders on Israel's behalf.

Shown here, congratulating Mr. Latner on his appointment as chairman, are, left to right: Albert Lather; D. Lou Harris, National Chairman, State of Israel Bonds of Canada; Alex J. Rubin, Co-Chairman with his brother Harry of the 1968 Toronto Israel Bond Campaign; and Harry Frank, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Toronto Bond Drive.

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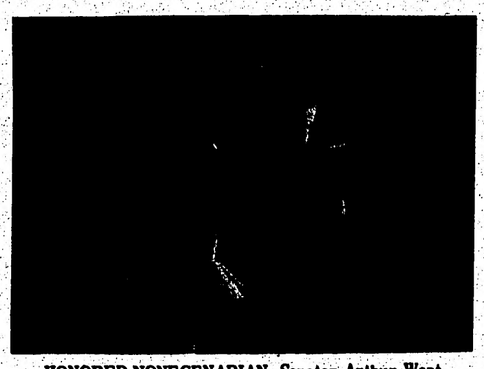

HONORED NONEGENARIAN. Senator Arthur Wentworth Roebuck (left) receives a plaque from John R. Devor, national co-deputy president of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, upon the occasion of his 90th birthday, on behalf of the F.Z.O.C.

A reception was tendered the Senator recently at Toronto's Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Greetings and tributes were extended by: the Hon. Mr. Justice Ivan C. Rand; S.M. Harris, Q.C., on behalf of Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region; Consul Haim Bar-Shai, on behalf of Israel, who also presented the Senator with the Israeli Medal of Liberation (commemorating the 1948 war).

Members of Beth Am Congregation held a campaign meeting on behalf of Toronto's 1968 UJA-IEF. Here looking over the synagogue's campaign goal are, left to right: Morris Polansky, president, Beth Am; Sam Crystal, chairman, Public Relations Committee, UJA-IEF, who was guest speaker at the meeting; and Mark Janasz, Beth Am campaign chairman.

ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE: Guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Men's Apparel Division of the 1968 UJA-IEF, was Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Temple Sinai, chairman of Toronto's UJA-IEF Synagogue Council, seen here with some of the enthusiastic turnout. At the dinner hosted by Division chairman Harold Hertzman and co-chairman Arnold Naiman, $45,000 was pledged to the campaign including $13,500 in increases from those who already made their pledges.

In Spirit of Brotherhood and Solidarity.— Members of the New Fraternal Jewish Association are enthusiastically endorsing Toronto's 1968 UJA-IEF campaign. At a recent meeting more than $6,000 was pledged, and members are actively canvassing the balance of pledge cards. Seen here are some of the officers of the NJFA. From left: Sam Lipshitz, vice-president; Morris Biderman, NJFA campaign chairman; and Mrs. Beth Silburt, recording secretary.

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What REALLY happened in Warsaw

THE POLES IN 1943

by Terry Goodman

During the second World War scores of thousands of Jews in Warsaw, as elsewhere in Europe, had been transported "eastward" by the occupying German forces. In the early days of the war, most Jews believed that the wholesale deportations from the Ghetto meant nothing more than shipment to forced labor camps. German-inspired propaganda discussed "resettlement" in Jewish areas — a form of segragation the Jewish minority could accept on a temporary basis. Furthermore, many Jews continued to believe in man's humanity and refused to accept what were considered "rumors" about wholesale destruction. When the realization of the gruesome truth about Treblinka was finally made known, by a special courier smuggled out of the Ghetto, the remaining Jews assumed new roles.

By September 1942, the Ghetto was ready to do battle. The old leadership in the German-controlled council, the Judenrat, gave way to the Jewish Fighters Organization (ZOB). Those few Jews who had been in the Ghetto police, and were often hated by the other Ghetto inhabitants, were removed. Some were killed.

At great expense, a few weapons were smuggled into the Ghetto, although only enough for some of the able-bodied Jewish men. Merely to arm 500 fighters necessitated an outlay of millions of Polish zlotys, for the arms had to be purchased from the Aryan side of the Ghetto. By January 1943, when the first major brush with the Germans took place to prevent further deportations, the fighters had only 143 revolvers, one machine pistol and seven rounds of ammunition per weapon. The action resulted in 20 Germans killed and 50 wounded; about 1,000 Jews were killed and another 6,500 were transported to feath camps. The next three months were then spent organizing the thousands of Jews who had chosen to remain until the inevitable end.

The Polish Home Army, impressed by this first attack, delivered about 50 revolvers, grenades and dynamite, while other Poles were encouraged to sell firepower. Jews working in Ghetto factories created home made gasoline and chemical bombs, as well as grenades, often under the noses of their supervisors.

On April 19, on the eve of Passover, German police and Polish "navy blues" encircled the Ghetto in what was rumored to be the "final action" to remove all Jews. The Ghetto population was instructed to go to prepared bunkers and hideouts, each of which was guarded by a detachment of armed defenders. When Germans began to infiltrate the core of the Ghetto, action broke out which was to last over 40 days. The fighters, no match for the superior German firepower, had determined to die fighting in the sewers, bunkers, amidst rubble, and in the streets. Above all, they had pledged themselves to defend the thousands who could not be armed, who had been enfeebled by starvation and typhus, or were too old or too young to fight.

General Jurgen Stroop, SS and Police Leader of Warsaw, then had at his command over 2,000 men, half of them regular army or Waffen SS troops and the rest SS police, reinforced by 335 Lithuanian and Polish police. He had tanks, armored cars, artillery, flame throwers and aerial support. According to reports sent to his superiors, Stroop considered his major problem the tens of thousands of Jews holed up in the bunkers, and defended by the smaller contingents of poorly armed fighters.

Emmanuel Ringelbaum, the major archivist of the Warsaw revolt, who was to be executed by the Gestapo in March 1944, wrote that throughout the action in the Warsaw Ghetto "nothing was heard from the Aryan sector. There was complete silence there as the drama unfolded before the eyes of hundreds of thousands of Poles." The Government-in-Exile issued no call to arms, nor any promise of aid. The Polish Socialist Party urged the Jews in the Ghetto not to submit, but sent no military assistance. The Armia Krajowa, the underground National Army, was ordered to remain in check for some future major action. A few Polish groups did join the Jewish fighters, but they were not able to be of any major military significance.

While the Polish Council for Aid to Jews, Zegota, has been credited with saving the lives of 20,000 Jews on the Aryan side of Warsaw, up to the time of the final destruction of the Warsaw Ghetto, no help was available to the Ghetto after the revolt. The Allies were silent. Moreover, the months of prodding to induce the Polish Government-in-Exile to urge the Polish people, and the underground army inside Poland, to help Jews did not bear fruit until mid-May. By that time, most of the Jewish resistance fighters were dead.

In Stroop's official report, entitled "The Warsaw Ghetto Is No More," which described the destruction of the Warsaw Ghetto during April and May 1943, he noted that on May 1 "a total of 1,026 Jews were killed, either in battle or while resisting... Not a single one gave up voluntarily." Since the Passover rebellion began, Stroop calculated that "the sum total of Jews caught so far (i.e. through May 1) has risen to 38,385."

On May 15 the Polish Directorate of Civil Resistance reported that the Ghetto fighters had killed more than 300 Germans and wounded about 1,000 in defense of the Ghetto. The next day Stroop wrote in his report that the Ghetto essentially was "no longer in existence." He reported 56,065 Jews caught or "whose extermination can be proved ... and estimated 5,000 to 6,000 were killed by explosions or in fires..." Thus, in January and as a result of the Ghetto Uprising, nearly 70,000 Jews were killed or deported to death camps after capture.

Some who escaped joined the guerrilla fighters in the People's Army and fought in the general Polish uprising in Warsaw, in August 1944, more than a year after the Jewish uprising had been crushed.

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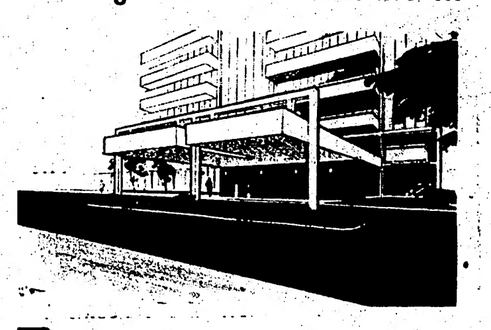

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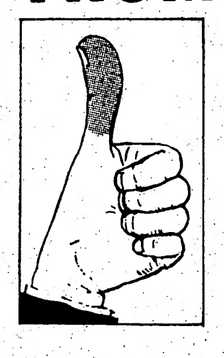

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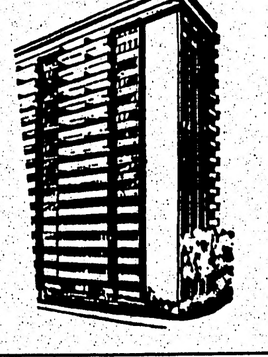

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REPEAT

Fiddler, presented by Beth Am Congregation, will be performed Sunday and Monday, May 19th and 20th.

HOSTS

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BIBLE IMAGES

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by Lynn Reid Banks

DEBORAH, WOMAN OF VALOR

"The inhabitants of the village ceased, they ceased in Israel until that I, Deborah, arose, a mother in Israel".

With these pardonably triumphant words, Deborah, the poetess, celebrated the victory of Deborah, the strategist and warrior. Her song of praise and glory – both to the Lord and through Him, to herself – climaxes one of the most interesting of the heroic episodes in Biblical history; interesting chiefly for her own participation in it, for it was doubtless no less unusual in those times than now for a highly respected lady judge, song-maker and sometime prophet, to turn to in time of national need and lead an army into battle.

It's quite remarkable how little is known of her. One can find pages of comment and supposition about heroines of the Bible who did far less for her people: yet Deborah seems, from the scant half-chapter about her, to have been a quite extraordinary gifted woman, who richly merits the devoted legend which was built round her single noteworthy exploit.

When I asked my class of 13-year-olds to write an English composition about her, I received no more from even the most prolix than a couple of pages; but these Israeli children, though somewhat gravelled for matter, found plenty to admire, and a glow of genuine feeling infused many of the efforts. "Of all the women in the Bible, I think Dvora did most for us," one boy concluded. Notice "for us" ...He meant, clearly, for the new generation of Israelis; he felt a link between himself and Deborah's deeds and her character and victory.

Let's see what there actually is about her in Judges IV. A quick reading of this short chapter gives the impression of a matron, by no means in her first youth, who, as the daughter of a judge, became a judge herself and sat dispensing justice while "dwelling under a palm tree" – that symbol of peace and stability. But her people, the Jews, were under a cloud at the time suffering for their sins under the yoke of foreign occupation.

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It would appear that God was rather frequently displeased with His chosen people during this era; the whole of Judges is peppered with the words "Israel again did evil in the sight of the Lord", and the Lord's usual procedure was to allow them to fall into bondage to various alien rulers. His habit then was, when He considered their wrongs expiated, to inspire a hero from among the Israelis to turn upon the oppressors, lending an Almighty hand while the fight for freedom (and a new chance to behave better when they had it) was in progress.

This time the Lord selected Deborah as His instrument and she tackled Barak – who appears not to have been very enthusiastic at first. He was a professional soldier, so this was not altogether surprising, since the Jews were singularly ill-equipped by comparison with the Canaanites under Sisera, who, we hear, had "900 chariots of iron" while so far as we know Deborah and her 10,000 had not even a horse between them.

But at once we see a strong, impulsive, even somewhat contemptuous streak in Deborah. Barak says he will only embark on the enterprise if she will accompany him. Does one detect a note of hope that she will refuse. Anyway, if so, it is promptly confounded. "I will surely go with thee", she replies at once, "notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honor" – and goes on to imply that it will be for hers, as God intends to "sell" Sisera into the hands of a woman.

(Of course, this could also mean Yael, who later on the day of the battle murdered the fleeing Sisera in her tent by lulling him off to sleep with warm milk and then driving a tent-peg through his brains – a curiously blood-thirsty act which would seem to run counter to all the laws of hospitality.)

Deborah, however, not only urged Barak into the situation but provided the battle tactics which were to lead to a victory quite as sensational as Henry V's at Agincourt. First, she accompanied Barak from Mount Ephraim, where she lived, to Mount Tabor (a distance of 50 miles as the crow flies), collecting up enroute all the fighting members of several tribes including Zebulun and Naphtali, who followed them and assembled on the mountain. Sisera, deceived, as he was meant to be, by this seeming withdrawl, gathered his "multitudes" and the ill-starred chariots below near the River Kishon, Barak's 10,000 foot archers and swordsmen then fell on them, and wiped out the whole lot – with the help of the spring rains, which to this day spread the little trickle to a marshy flood in that area. This is one factor in the pinpointing of the location of the battle, in the region still called Ta'anach.

It is, of course, possible that despite the legend, Deborah did not actually take part in the fighting, or even go with Barak to Kishon, for after her memorable injunction to him ("Up! For this is the day in which the Lord hath delivered Sisera into thine hand!") no more is heard of her until her classic ballad, after it is all over. But her ninth-verse promise to go with Barak has always been taken to mean "3ll the way", and surely her reputation would not stand so high if we could not justifiably envisage her in the role of military leader.

In any case, 2he was an admirable historian. She left us a far more graphic and colorful account of the battle than the dry recital in Chapter IV. Her song, to begin with, must have greatly pleased those who were prominent on the winning side (even the Lord can seldom have been so lavishly regaled with praise for His intervention); Barak, Yael and the participating tribes are all lauded, while those who, by luck or contrivance, found themselves elsewhere at the time of the fighting, are roundly cursed.

To her account we are indebted for such emotive details as that 'the horses' hooves splintered in their desperate "prancing", presumably as they felt the heavy chariots dragging them down into the mud; and that those of Sisera's troops who were not killed in hand-to-hand sword fighting or by arrows, were swept away and drowned.

She would not have been the human character we feel her to be, had not a hint of pride in her own achievement crept into her song. More than a hint, perhaps, and one can easily imagine the exaltation and triumph in her voice as she declaimed:

"Awake, awake, Deborah; awake, awake, utter a song ... The Lord made me have dominion over the mighty... O my soul, thou has trodden down strength" ... After all, until she came along to inspirit the men, "not a shield or spear was seen among 40,000 of Israel". It is only fair that she should feel a little proud of herself and perhaps a little patronising towards those who apparently could not rise without her to goad them to it.

All in all, she emerges as a very real and many-sided personality, not a mere figurehead. Yet her song saddens me; for although her victory gained 40 years of freedom and peace for Israel, at the beginning of the next chapter we find the whole cycle of fallibility, conquest, subjection and war beginning again.

Deborah's final words have a singular echo today: the bereft mother of Sisera crying, "Why is his chariot so long in coming?" and that last, familiar exhortation: "So let all thine enemies perish, O Lord!" – eternally uttered in the glorious conviction that those enemies are never ourselves.

Miss Banks is non-Jewish. She is a novelist and playwrite, and now lives on a kibbutz in Israel.

HUMAN RELATIONS

DEEPLY IN LOVE

by Dr. Rose Franzblau

QUESTION: I am a girl 21, deeply in love with a boy, 16. He is emotionally as mature, as sensitive and as perceptive as a grown man.

For three years, I went with a fellow, 24, who treated me badly. He would not marry me although I proved my love for him, in the hope that he would ask me to be his wife. When his weakness of character became apparent, I broke off with him.

Then I met this boy. We fell deeply in love and are extremely happy together. He is still attending high school.

We would like to tell our families of our love, but know we will be met with rejection, hence, are forced to see each other secretly. I am willing to wait for him to complete school before we can be married. In the meantime, since we love each other so much, I am desirous of having an intimate relationship with him.

Could our marriage be a success? This boy claims that I am the only girl he can ever love, and I know that he is the only boy that I will ever care about.

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ANSWER: A difference in years between a couple looms larger or smaller according to the age and phase in life that the pair are going through.

For an adolescent boy of 16 to date a girl of 13 is to announce to the world that he cannot get a girl closer to his own age and has to resort to younger girls for a date. For a girl of 14 or 15 to go out with a younger boy, says the same thing. But as the youngsters grow older, a one to three year difference between a boy and a girl is usual and readily accepted, provided the boy is the older one. For a couple who have maturity, chronologically and psychologically, an age-gap of several years, one way or another, makes little difference.

You suffered for three years in your former relationship, giving your all in the hope that you could ensnare the young man. This tells more about your own psychological problems than it does about this man's character defects. To take such punishment for so long a time indicates a person's rather low opinion of herself.

Now, in the second time around, you chose a male who is equally unavailable or unsuitable for you, even though for an entirely different reason. It is no great pronouncement to say that you are willing to wait until this young boy finishes school. You must surely know that it is a long way off before he will have reached the age and stage in his life when he can get married. This may be one of your main reasons for attaching yourself to him.

As with the first man, you are again ready to give yourself completely to this boy, in the hope that you will thus make him stay with you. True, this boy says today that you are the only girl he can love. However, you must surely know that the time is not too far off, when he will find another whom he thinks he loves even more. He is right now in the process of growth and change, both physically and emotionally. When the break does come, as it in all likelihood will, you will probably say that he isn't the boy you fell in love with, and that he has become a changed personality.

At the moment, you profess eternal love for each other–but only because it must be kept secret. If the parents were to approve, and you could carry on the relationship in the open, you would both run from it. He would in all probability be most reluctant to introduce you as his girl friend to his friends–both boys and girls–and be rather embarrassed by the cracks and jibes that would inevitably be made by them. All this could make you feel prematurely old.

You would profit from some counselling as to why you form such inappropriate relationships and want to consumate them prematurely. It would also give you the strength to let this boy know, in as kindly a way as possible, that this relationship is not good either for him or for you. Although he may be upset at the break-up, he will be relieved very soon after–and so will you.

NAVAL BUILDUP

Jerusalem, (JCNS). – Israel's Navy is to undergo a major change, according to the director-general of the Defence Ministry, Mr. Moshe Kashti.

Speaking after a conference of heads of the Defence Ministry purchasing mission abroad, Mr. Kashti said the Navy would receive new vessels and would be supplied with modern and effective armaments.

He stated that one of the main topics discussed at the conference was the question of new sources of fighter aircraft in the event that the French embargo on the supply of Mirages remained in force. He was confident that a solution would be found for this problem.

Mr. Kashti also said the exports by Israel's military industries had increased, and that the number of countries buying Israeli military equipment had increased to thirty.

CABLE IN GOLAN HEIGHTS

Haifa, (JCNS) - The Swiss company, Karl Brandle, has proposed the building of a ski lift from Majdal Shams in the Golan Heights to the top of the Israeli-held part of Mt. Hermon. The proposal was made to the Upper Galilee District Council of Kibbutz Hagoshrim.

Swiss experts stated that the mile-and-half long cable way, at a height of 1,800 metres would cost 1 pound 2m. It would pay for itself within five years - a thir of the period considere normal in Europe.

EL AL GROWTH

Addressing recently a group of economic writers in Jerusalem, M. Ben Ari, president of El Al Israel Airlines, announced that the company anticipated a net profit of between four to five million Israeli pounds during the current year just ending in March. This marks the highest profit ever registered by El Al during its twenty-year history.

The gain was particularly gratifying in the face of a loss of 8.6 million Israeli pounds as a result of the Six Day War last June.

LUEBKE TO SHAZAR

Bonn, West Germany, (JCNS) - President Heinrich Luebke of West Germany has sent a telegram congratulating President Shazar of Israel on his re-election for another five-year term of office last week, and wishing him "many years of activity for the peaceful future of your country".

OPPOSES U.N. PLAN

Tel Aviv, (JCNS).– Eshkol is believed to have told his Cabinet on Sunday why Israel was opposed to stationing United Nations observers at the Jordanian borders. This move was proposed by United States Representative Arthur Goldberg to the Security Council, which, as King Hussein made it known, he will not accept.

The Security Council most likely will reach a deadlock on the issue.

Israel is suggesting instead that Israeli and Jordanian army commanders meet to coordinate action and to prevent breaches of ceasefire and illegal passages across the borders.

On Monday one Israeli soldier was killed and two others injured in a clash with terrorists in Golan Heights. One terrorist was killed.

Russian rifles and hand grenades as well as other equipment were found in terrorist possession.

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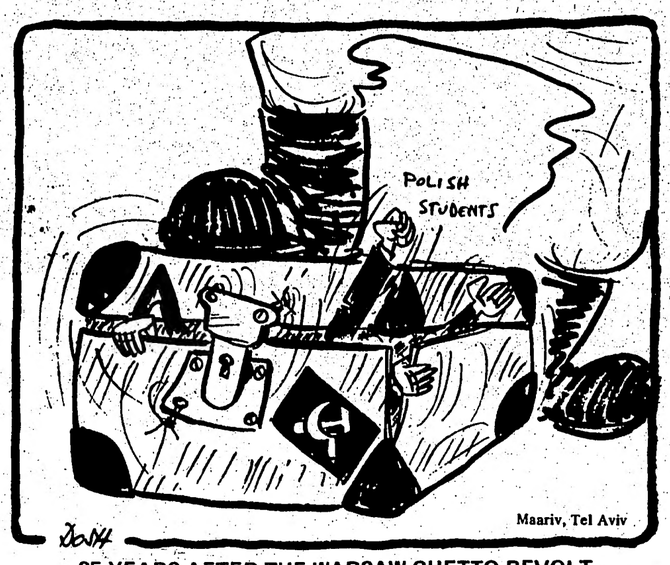


25 YEARS AFTER THE WARSAW GHETTO REVOLT
The Red rulers of Poland: Let's finish Hitler's job!

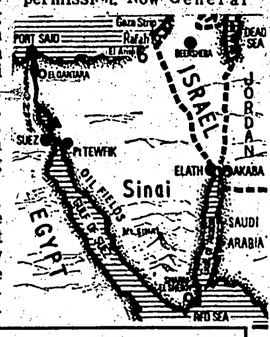
letters and opinions

WHO OWNS SINAI?

By David Kessler

Immediately after the Six Day War various schemes were put forward for dealing with the Sinai Peninsula in the light of the new situation created by the Israeli victory. One suggestion, made by Mr. John Tilney, M.P., was that the U.N. should take over the area by purchase or on a long lease.

Then came the proposal, which was supposed to have some support in Egypt, that the Israelis should withdraw a short distance from the Suez Canal so that the waterway could be reopened without Israeli interference or permission. Now General Dayan is reported to have a scheme for drawing a line north and south across the Peninsula, east of El Arish and west of Sharm el Sheikh.



This proposal would have the advantage of returning to the Egyptians control of the Canal and of the oil and other minerals near the Gulf of Suez, while giving Israel full authority over the west coast of the Gulf of Akaba and, most important, of the strategic position at the Straits of Tiran.

General Dayan is not, apparently, daunted by the problem of defending some 250 miles of open desert frontier, but in any event it is inconceivable that Israel would withdraw to this line without adequate safeguards and guarantees for the freedom of her shipping in the Canal.

It is, however, of some interest to compare this suggested boundary with the old frontier which, in the days of the Ottoman Empire, ran from Rafah, on the Mediterranean coast, to Suez. This was the line shown on the firman of 1841 by which Mohammed Ali was appointed Viceroy of Egypt under Turkish suzerainty.

The Turks continued to claim sovereignty over what might be called South Sinai, which represents about three-quarters of the peninsula, while admitting — virtually under pressure from Britain as the dominant power in the area — that it should be administered by Egypt.

Quebec in turmoil

TIME FOR DECISION

Jean-Guy Cardinal, Quebec's Minister of Education, made an important statement addressed to the Jewish community of his province in the April issue of Nouveau Monde.

Speaking of the problem facing *all* the Quebecois at this moment—as to school language preference—the Hon. Mr. Cardinal says: this is the time of decision, the time to make the choice; the Jewish community must decide whether its young should belong linguistically and culturally to the English minority or to the French speaking majority.

The Minister of Education also points out that *legally* the French language school system is absolutely irrelevant to the Catholic religion. He thus implies that the Jews could —and should—establish schools which should be French in language but also could be Jewish from the religious and traditional point of view.

This is an overture the Jewish community of Quebec can ill afford to ignore. As we pointed out upon many an occasion, the problem of the future of Quebec, its political destiny, will not be decided by outsiders. It will be exactly what the Quebecois wish it to be. Yet, whether the eventual, ultimate solution of the problem of French Canada will be federalist or nationalistic, from the point of view of culture. Quebec is moving in the direction of absolute supremacy of French language and French culture. Once this is understood, the conclusion must be: responsible persons within the Jewish community must strive to synchronize the Jewish school system and the education of the young parallel to this trend.

Culturally Quebec will become increasingly French whether it remains a part of Confederation or not. Thus, from the Jewish point of view, the time for readjustment is now.

EASTERN EUROPE

CZECHS AND SLOVAKS

by Neal Ascherson

"The Slovak nation is a great-hearted nation". It was a Slovak who was speaking, and his wife and sons nodded in resolute agreement. It is a people which can fight, as they fought against the Germans in the rising of 1944. It is a people which can drink: no glass in Slovakia is refilled until it is empty. It is a people which can make vast gestures of generosity and sacrifice.

The Slovaks are intensely involved in the "revolution" which grips Czechoslovakia. For this small nation, four million of them as against 12 million Bohemians and Moravians, the issues are not quite the same as they look in Prague. Less radical in their search for a new socialist democracy than the Czechs, the Slovaks hope that among the enormous consequences of the "March days" of 1968 will be their right to full self-government.

Not that the Slovaks are indifferent about the making of democracy. They, in fact, began the rebellion against the late Stalinist regime of Antionin Novotny earlier than the Czechs. Mr. Alexander Dubcek himself, the new Czechoslovak party leader, is a Slovak. But Mr. Dubeck's own position — which means the outlook for this kind of democratization — rests on the twin pillars of general rebellion against repression and the Slovak demand for federation.

In other words, if the Slovaks reckoned that Prague is overdoing "liberalization" or if the Czechs refused to grant federation, the critical mass which radiates Mr. Dubcek's power would fall apart. I went to Slovakia to find an answer to this critical question: Is the Slovak Communist Party less keen on democratization than the Czech Party? Slovakia arrived at independence in 1918 as a primitive peasant country. During the first republic, it was largely run by the efficient Czechs. The Nazis exploited resentment to form a Slovak rump State, under the clerical-Fascist leadership of Father Tiso.

Three years after the Communist takeover in 1948, local Slovak autonomy was abruptly ended. Leading Communists and non-Communists were arrested. Several, including the brave and honest Vladimir Clementis, were hanged.

At the height of his power, in the early sixties, Mr. Novotny began to tighten the screw even further. His policy was to "divide and rule": to let Czechs believe that Slovakia got the lion's share of investment, and the Slovaks fear that the Czechs were out to suppress them politically.

In 1963, in a disastrous speech at Kosice, Novotny attacked "bourgeois nationalism" in Slovakia and poured scorn on several heroes of the 1944 national uprising.

This was a turning point. "Among ourselves", a Communist in Kosice told me, "we began to discuss our hatred for the Novotny gang."

Already in 1958, the Kosice radio station, far out near the Soviet border, had begun to send critical commentaries. In Bratislava, the capital down on the Danube, the writers' magazine, "Kulturny Zivot," led a determined revolt: the Slovak Communist Party discreetly protected them, and by last year there was far less censorship in Bratislava than in Prague.

Here was the answer to the question. The fight for a government at Bratislava had begun as a fight for free speech, for a tolerant and critical form of socialism, the possibility of a hardline Slovak group pretending sympathy for the Czech reformers simply in order to snatch autonomy is a myth.

Hardiners existed, though. The Banska Bystrica region was known as the Slovak Albania, because of the thoughness of its party leader, Mr. Cvik, and he has only just been removed. For years, his local radio was singing party hymns while Kosice Radio next door was saying that the old order was corrupt. In general, though, the Slovaks had gone much further than the Czechs in removing Novotny henchmen before the "March events" began.

This may explain why Slovak Communists are more cautious now. The Westernised Czechs even discuss a multiparty system. But a Bratislava editor told me: "No party which aims at anything other than socialism has a place in the Republic."

The ex-Minister, Eugen Loebl, 11 years in prison under Stalinism and now director of the State Bank of Bratislava, hopes that political parties will die out altogether. "Communist membership will become a belief, like Church membership," he says. The party's leading role will be intellectual, not in power terms.

"Why should democracy really be identified with a party system?"

On the walls of Bratislava and Kosice, the two words Husak and Alweg are chalked about. Gustav Husak is the most revered man in the land: the last leader of a genuine Slovak Administration in 1951, who has now emerged from long imprisonment. Alweg is the name of a proposed monorail connecting several ski resorts in the high Tatras. Amazingly, the rejection of this scheme in Prague released a tidal wave of Slovak emotion. I met men who had pledged 10 per cent of their salaries to build Alweg, factories which had reserved 10 per cent of their profits.

Husak and the Alweg: love of liberty and the demand for Slovaks to run their own affairs. Admiration for a brave man who speaks out, and the Slovak's right to be generous in his own land. This combination is a solid guarantee that in seeking democracy and federation, the Czechs and the Slovaks are marching along the same path.

HAVER BEGIN AT BEIT BRENNER

by MOSHE RON

BEGIN

Tel Aviv. — We very well remember the bloody fights in the streets of Tel Aviv thirty-five years ago between the Hapoel units which had their headquarters in the Tel Aviv Labor Council (Beit Brenner) and members of Betar.

Beit Brenner is considered a fortress of Mapai. Here the Hagana was formed. No one ever had dreamed that the leader of Betar, I.Z.L. and Herut, Menachem Begin, would be invited officially to this house and that he would be introduced in friendliest fashion by the Secretary of the Tel Aviv Labor Council, Uri Alpert, as Haver Begin.

Every Friday Beit Brenner tenders a dinner with important state personalities. Its latest guest was Minister Begin. Earlier some labor functionaries here expressed their doubts as to whether this invitation were not too drastic a step. However, it was decided that Begin had changed since the June War, that today he is a Minister of the United National Government.

Begin was very much impressed. When he spoke, he declared it was the first time he was addressing such an audience therefore he should recite a blessing of thanks though not in the name of the Almighty but in the name of statehood.

The Israelis have received this political friendship with satisfaction as a further step to internal peace. They also welcomed the decision of the Israeli Government to issue on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the State medals of distinction to all those (Hashomer, Hagana, IZL., Sternists) who took part in the struggle for Israel's freedom. The proposal was made by the Minister of Police, Eliyahu Sasson, and adopted unanimously by the Government.

The populace of Israel desires internal unity for it is convinced that the military and political struggle is far from finished; there is not yet any further prospect for peace with the Arabs.

Sermon For The Week

LIBERATION

Everything in the Torah, every detail, especially a detail connected with such a comprehensive matter as the Liberation from Egypt, has special significance and particular instructions.

Thus the Torah tells us that before the children of Israel departed from Egypt, God gave them various commandments: some of them to be observed while still in Egypt; others to be observed later on.

Among the Mitzvot (commandments) which were given in Egypt, there is one which has the distinction of having been ordained as a special "sign" and reminder of the whole event of the Liberation from Egypt, and, moreover, was to serve as such not merely in a particular season of the year, but on every weekday throughout the entire year.

This is the Mitzva of Tefillin, (Phylacteries).

Hence it is clear that the connection between the Mitzva of Tefillin and the Liberation from Egypt is a very close and profound one, even compared to the festival of Pesach with all its details. For, the latter is limited to the days of Passover. On the other hand, the remembrance and experience of the Liberation from Egypt have been ordained as a daily obligation, and similarly (each weekday of the year) also the Mitzva of Tefillin - which is a "sign of Yetziat Mitzraim upon thy hand and a reminder between thine eyes".

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As in the case of all matters of Torah and Mitzvot, the special significance of the mitzva of Tefillin has many explanations. On one of them I will dwell here.

The essential aspect of Yetziat Mitzraim is the liberation "from slavery to freedom," that is, from slavery in the ordinary sense of compulsory servitude and crushing physical labor, to the ultimate freedom from spiritual enslavement, from Mitzraim (in the sense of Metzorim, "boundaries"). In other words, freedom from all limitations and compulsions that hamper the soul, until the very essence of the Jew is freed and reasserted, both in the individual Jew and in the Jewish people as a whole.

And what is the very essence of a Jew? It is, as God has declared, "You are children unto God, your God." This, of course, does not refer only to the soul in its heavenly abode before her descent to earth, but also to the Jew as he is in life on this earth, namely, a soul and body together, with all their attributes.

The concept of being "God's children" means, among other things, that just as God is master and ruler over the world and all that is in it, so must the Jew - in all matters pertaining to his life as a Jew, - rise above the material drives of this life and become their master. This mastery must not be limited to "festive occasions" of the year, but also must emphatically assert itself in his daily life, in actual and concrete form. In other words, one's Jewishness must not be affected or influenced by the surrounding world; rather to the contrary, it must be the ruling and compelling force that subordinates all mundane aspects of the daily life, in every facet relating to his being a Jew.

Now there immediately arises a plain but fundamental question: Can this be expected of every Jew, and how is it to be accomplished?

The answer is equally plain: Inasmuch as every Jew has a "filial" kinship to God, God has bestowed upon every Jew special capacities.

Witness the analogy, l'havdil, of children and parents, where children inherit, in a natural way talents and character-traits of parents, and parents transmit them to children. The kinship between a Jew and his Father in Heaven is even more profound than in the analogy, as explained by the Alter Rebbe, author of the Tanya and Shulchan Aruch, in the following terms: Whereas in the analogy of children and parents, the children are separate entities, except that they are closely and intimately inter-related with their parents; in the case of the kinship between Jew and God, however, Jews are essentially never separated from God, never separate entities, since the very being of a Jew is to conform to, and carry out, God's will - in the manner of both servant and son.

Indeed, the Liberation from Egypt has revealed and determined for all times this special quality and destiny of the Jew, as it is written: "For unto Me are the children of Israel servants; they are My servants whom I have liberated from Mitzraim."

Consequently, when a Jew actually utilizes the said Divinely given capacities to the fullest degree, until they permeate his whole being, not merely his actions but also his speaking and thinking - this gives him the ability to become master and ruler over all mundane aspects surrounding his life.

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This, indeed, is an essential significance of the Mitzva of Tefillin, as explained in many sources, and in precise and succinct terms in the Shulchan Aruch:

When a Jew puts on Tefillin, his intent should be that God has commanded us to put on Tefillin on the hand, facing the heart, and on the head, facing the brain - "In order that we remember the miracles and wonders which He wrought for us . . . and that He has the power and dominion to rule over the upper and lower worlds according to His will. (Consequently) he should subjugate his soul which is in (i.e. acts through) his brain, as well as the desires and thoughts of his heart, to the service of God, blessed be He."

For, the brain (intellect) and heart (emotion) are the powers that move a person in all his deeds, words and thoughts. And since "a king's servant is like (i.e. has the authority of) the king," the Jew, by virtue of being a servant and a son of the King, becomes the vehicle through whom the Divine power and dominion is realized in the upper and lower worlds according to His will - beyond any limitation; verily Yetziat Mitzraim in the fullest measure.

From a Passover message
by Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson,
the Lubavitcher Rebbe.

MIDEAST STRATEGY

LESSON KARAME

by Brigadier General Chaim Herzog

The operation carried out by the Israel Defence Forces against the El Fatah base in Karame two weeks ago raised a number of questions in the mind of the Israeli public.

The Israelis are a very closely knit people when all is said and done, and the loss of a soldier in action against the enemy is felt very keenly, almost as a personal loss, by the entire nation.

This complete identification with the bereaved families is a very admirable national trait, but it is also a form of weakness.

The Karame operation was the largest carried out by the Israel Defence Forces, short of war. For a whole day Israeli troops were complete masters of some 180 square miles of Jordanian territory, and in a highly successful operation killed some 170 El Fatah terrorists and took over 130 prisoners.

In other words, one-third of a force poised to embark on a large-scale terrorist offensive against Israel was eliminated.

Furthermore, almost fifty Jordanian tanks and armoured vehicles were destroyed and between fifty and a hundred Jordanian soldiers were killed. All of which adds up to a highly successful attack in which every planned objective was achieved.

But such an operation, involving thousands of troops deep in enemy territory for a full day, could not possibly have been carried out without casualties. Indeed, some twenty-seven officers and men were killed in addition to some seventy wounded.

The public was disturbed by these casualty figures and voices were raised asking if the same results could not have been achieved by other means and at a lower cost. These questions were reiterated in the light of the Security Council debate and the subsequent unfavorable resolution which it adopted.

It should be emphasized, as indeed, the Chief of Staff, General Bar Lev, did emphasize, that Karame was not in any way a reprisal operation. Its specific purpose was to seek out and destroy as many El Fatah terrorists in their base as possible.

The results achieved were excellent, but at the cost of loss of life and international political condemnation.

Since the Security Council takes obvious exception to the crossing of international frontiers by miliary forces, particularly if they are Israeli Forces, and would appear not to be exercised by the indiscriminate killing carried out by mining tracks and roads, or by the destruction of a school bus, the question has been asked whether it would not be advisable to carry the war into enemy territory using the enemy's methods - guerrilla tactics.

For guerrilla forces to succeed they must be capable of disappearing into the background of the local population. Hence the success of the Vietcong in Vietnam, and the Algerians against the French during the fighting before Algerian independence.

Israel's outstanding success to date has been to distinguish between the West Bank population, on the one hand, and El Fatah, on the other. The terrorists cannot operate for long periods in the West Bank area, because of lack of support and comfort from the local population.

Hence the concentration of the terrorist activity principally in the Jordan and Beit Shean Valley, from which guerrillas can return the same night to the East Bank, under covering fire from Jordanian units.

The problem of disappearing against the background of the local population would exist for Israeli guerrillas operating in Jordan.

However, it need not necessarily be insurmountable, having regard to the considerable amount of experience there is in Israel both in guerrilla warfare against the British military forces before 1948, and behind the German lines in various theatres of operation during the Second World War.

It is also the type of unorthodox operation to which the Israeli Army, with its training system emphasizing individual initiative, would be most capable of adapting itself very rapidly.

At this moment, two books have been published, revealing for the first time the exploits of the Israeli special forces behind the Jordanian Army lines in the nineteen-fifties.

Then, a special force, 101 Commando Unit, was established by the forerunners of the Israel Paratroop Forces, for the purpose of carrying out commando-type operations deep in Jordanian territory.

Its operations were highly successful and gave the Jordanians considerable cause for anxiety. The stories now recounted emphasize how very adaptable Israeli soldiers are to this type of warfare.

Voices have been raised in some circles in condemnation of the methods employed by 101, because they were of necessity indiscriminate, and this is one of the reasons put forward by those who object today to the use of guerrilla tactics.

A further objection arises from the fact that there is a feeling in Israel that, the value of life being so much lower in the Arab countries than it is in Israel, the occasional mining of a bus or a tractor would have little or no effect on the thinking of the central authorities in Amman.

Despite these objections, however, it seems as if Israel will be obliged to test out all possible forms of warfare against Arab infiltration and sabotage, and this is one form which will have to be examined.

Politically, this form of warfare might be less embarrassing from an international point of view than major operations involving the crossing of the frontier, because it does not seem to disturb the tranquillity of the United Nations.

Obviously the El Fatah threat, which does not warrant being described as guerrilla warfare - it is more of a series of hit-and-run raids - must be met by various means, including reprisal raids, the establishment of an electronic fence and other techniques.

It would appear that there is a good case for the adoption by the Israelis of El Fatah methods, even if only to emphasize Israel's contention that peace will ring east of the Jordan only if it exists west of the river.

To adopt these methods the Israelis would have to overcome a natural distaste for indiscriminate warfare against innocent civilians. But they have not chosen the weapon, and since the Arabs have chosen it, its use against them might prove to be a useful deterrent.

KEEP SMILING

PROSPECTS

A girl was telling her friend she just became engaged to a traveling salesman.

"What's he like?" asked the friend. "Is he good-looking?"

"I wouldn't say he's handsome, just passable."

"Does he have a good personality?"

"He'd never stand out in a crowd."

"Does he have money?"

"If he does, he won't spend it."

"Does he have any bad habits?"

"Well, he drinks a lot."

"Gosh, if you can't say anything FOR him, why ever are you marrying the guy?"

"He's on the road all the time. I'LL never see him!"

WHAT BREED?

Two salesmen went wild game hunting in darkest Africa. While they were walking, they came to a clearing in the jungle.

Sudenly one whispered to the other, who was directly in front, "Don't t-t-turn around t-t-too quickly, but is that a lion behind me?"

"You're asking me?" retorted the other. "Am I a fur salesman?"

LESSON IN HISTORY

A Bostonian and Texan met on a plane headed for New York. Naturally the cowpoke steered the conversation around to his native state.

"There's no place like Texas," he boasted. "Even our heroes are the bravest men in the world. Did Boston ever have anyone to match Sam Houston?"

"Well," countered the Easterner confidently, "You've heard of Paul Revere."

"Paul Revere?" repeated the Texan. "Isn't he the guy who had to run for help?"

ASK THE RABBI

a JCNS featurette

• Has Judaism anything to say on the sterilisation of peutic, eugenic or family-planning reasons?

• The question is discussed in the Talmudic literature in which there are references to a sterilising potion.

Judith, the wife of R. Hiyya, had such agonising pains at childbirth that she took such a potion to prevent further pregnancies. The justification was that the command to propagate the specie is not binding upon women (Yevamot 65b). Elsewhere it is stated that men may not take this potion (Tosefta Yevamot 8). There is a full discussion of the whole question in the late Rabbi Meir's Ezrat Nashim, Vol. 3, 1955, pp. 300-316.

• It is permissible to use, sell or otherwise enjoy pig-skin leather, scent containing pig fat, etc.,? If it is, why?

• The rabbis teach that it is forbidden not only to eat but also to have any benefit from certain foods, e.g., leaven on Passover, but that while there is a biblical prohibition against eating pig there is no objection to having benefit from it. It has been suggested that the leniency is to be understood on the grounds that eating pig is so abhorrent to Jews that there is little fear of benefit leading on to eating. The rabbis do, however, forbid the breeding of pigs (Baba Kama, Mishna 75,7).

the lively arts

by D. COHN

● Otto Preminger has signed George Raft among the starring cast of Skidoo. The debonaire Raft, often associated on screen with gangster roles, will portray the skipper of an ocean-going yacht used by a syndicate boss as a hideout. The new comedy will give Raft a chance to test his former dancing legs as sea legs.

● Sir Philip Hendy, for two decades head of the National Gallery in London, took over from Dr. Willem Sandberg as director of the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

An expert on modern art, Sandberg brought to the Israel Museum some of the flavor he had imbued in the Stedelijk which became something of a center of avant garde artistic activity during his 25 years there.

Israel Museum consists roughly of half archeology and half art. The archeological section is one of international standard while the artistic portion remains the challenge of museum officials. "I think it is the only museum in the Middle East or Far East," said Sir Philip, "that is setting out to make a representative collection of Western and Eastern art."

● The rector of Poland's famous film and theater school at Lodz, Poland, Jerzy Toeplitz, and one of his deputies, Roman Wajdowicz, have been dismissed, according to an official announcement. Their dismissal, together with the expulsion from the Communist Party of a university lecturer at Opole, South Poland, raised to 27 the total number of victims of a current purge of Polish public life.

Changes in the senate of the Lodz Film School, where students backed Warsaw University demonstrations last month, were announced earlier. But no details were disclosed until last Saturday.

Toeplitz, a 58-year-old Jew, is an internationally known film critic and historian and had been rector of the Lodz school with some intervals since 1949. He worked in the movie industry in Britain and Italy from 1935 to 1937 and helped organize the Polish film industry after World War II. He spent a year, from December 1967, at the University of California, on an exchange program.

● The only thing about winning the Oscar," said Claire Bloom who is Mrs. Rod Steiger in private life, "is that one can pick the parts one wants. I am not as powerful in pictures as my husband, so I can't turn things down. I have to go where the pictures I am offered are made.

This at one time caused them to be apart for almost two years. That is why they now are so delighted to be working together in The Illustrated Man. But Claire is not particularly happy it is being made in Hollywood.

"Hollywood never has been my dream town. I enjoy it more now because Rod is so successful here. But give me an attic in a big city rather than a mansion in the suburbs."

The Steigers recently sold their house in Brooklyn for a cooperative apartment on Park Avenue. "I love Rome, London and Paris but it's hard on our 8-year-old daughter Anna. We take her with us all the time and she is getting as restless as we are. She said a terrible thing the other day: 'When I'm in London, I want to be in New York, and when I'm in New York I wish I were in London.' That's just how I am. I really would prefer to live in Rome but Rod loves it here at the beach," where they own a house at Malibu but rent it out because they are not in Hollywood often.

She says she had enough of her house in Brooklyn Heights. "Things were always falling down. Did you know that Rod is housepunchy? He simply cannot resist buying a house. He even looks at houses when he has no intention of buying."

VISITING TORONTO. — Wolf Mercur, celebrated U.S. Yiddish author, is spending Passover week with Toronto relatives, the brothers Philip and Itsche Roth, known in our Jewish community. Mercur's recent book "Vent Hobn Oiern," just appeared in New York.

Mercur was associated with the late Maurice Schwartz during the years of glory of the Yiddish Art Theater.

SYRIAN THREAT

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - Fears were expressed today (Thursday) by Arab businessmen returning to the West Bank from Joran, of a possible Syrian takeover in Amman.

This would mean, in effect, an El Fatah takeover.

Toronto After Dark

POPULAR DEMAND

By popular demand, the National Ballet's controversial and revolutionary new Swan Lake will be performed at O'Keefe Center this coming week, Monday, April 22nd, through Saturday, the 27th. Danish danseur-choreographer Erik Bruhn will produce the new version.

Changes in Swan Lake are electrifying. The Prince becomes the hero, a Hamlet-like figure accepting the responsibilities of adulthood; the owl-magician von Rothbart has been replaced by a beautiful and demonic Black Queen. Entire sections of the traditional Tchaikovsky score has been scrapped and replaced with music resurrected from the composer's original manuscript. The entire production is fresh and daring.

SELF SATIRE

Spring Thaw, opening at the Royal Alexandra Theater this coming Monday, gives Canadians a chance to laugh at themselves. Good humoredly they will see people and latest topical events lampooned, "sent up", made fun of. And some of the stars who lent at one time their skill and artistry to this hilarious ribbing include Robert Goulet, Norman Jewison, Catharine McKinnon, Barbara Hamilton, Alex Barris, Dinah Christie, Alan Lund, David Broadfoot, Jane Mallet, Tobi Robins, Lou Jacobi and a host of others.

PROTEST PLAY

A protest play by Scottish folksinger-playwright Ewan MacColl will be Toronto Workshop Productions' next attraction at its new theater at 12 Alexander Street when The Travellers, doing a comment on political apathy as an instrument of war, open Friday, May 4th, for a four-week engagement.

END OF LINE

You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown, nears the end of the line at the Playhouse Theater. Six more weeks, and the delightful Peanuts characters wend their way to charm other audiences.

FIRST TIME

This is the first visit to Canada of the Soviet Navy Ensemble which will perform for five days beginning May 1st, at Maple Leaf Gardens.

Dancers expend tremendous amounts of energy in their dazzling acrobatic feats. Equally hard working is the artistic director, Major Boris Pobedimsky, who leads the choir and orchestra.

GOOD WEEK

Moe Koffman with The Art Ayre Trio finish the week tomorrow night at George's Spaghetti House. The Brian Browne Trio, one of the finest in the city, perform Upstairs at the Castle.

A DOUBLE

For the first time in many years, two of the all-time great voices of the big band era are joined in a club appearance when Helen O'Connell and Bob Eberly open at the Hook and Ladder Club of the Beverly Hills Motor Hotel, Monday, April 22nd.

20000 IN PASSOVER MARCH

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). — It is estimated that 20,000 people participated in this year's eve of Passover march, which ended April 10.

In addition to 3,000 soldiers and 10,000 members of youth battalions, the marchers included about 200 people from Britain, U.S.A., Switzerland, Denmark, Italy and Holland, 30 Christian Arabs from a Baptist village, three Arab Moslems working for the Jerusalem municipality, and one Druse.

An order by the Ministry of Defence changed the route of the march, in order to avoid crossing Arab villages in the occupied territories and perhaps hurting the feelings of the population and disturbing their normal life and work.

The route along which the victorious Israeli Army advanced during the Six-Day War was followed, and guides told the marchers about historic sites along the march. Army and border police helicopters flew over the route. Soldiers taking part were armed.

This time, girls were not be allowed to wear shorts, in order not to offend Arab susceptibilities.

The police estimated 350,000 people to welcome the marchers wehn they concluded their "trek" by marching through the streets of Jerusalem.

PRAGUE PRIZE FOR MEMORIAL DESIGN

Prague, Czechoslovakia, (JCNS) - A large cash prize is being offered for the most suitable memorial at the wartime Theresienstadt concentration camp in Czechoslovakia. The memorial is to take in the buildings as they exist.

The competition has been announced by the governing body of the National Theresienstadt Memorial Authority, which is responsible for the Ghetto, the "Little Fortress"; the former Gestapo prison; and the "Pit Richard" concentration camp at Leitmeritz.

Other plans include a monument to pay tribute to the Jews deported to the concentration camp and the landscaping, as a memorial of the bank of the River Eger, from which the Nazis, in the autumn of 1944, threw 20,000 cardboard urns containing the ashes of their victims.

BOOK OF PSALMS FOR DR. KLEMPERER

London, (JCNS).— Dr. Otto Klemperer, acknowledged by many experts as the world's greatest conductor, is regularly attending services at the Marble Arch Synagogue, London, during his present stay in London.

It was the JCNS which first reported that Dr. Klemperer had returned to Judaism after an estrangement lasting over fifty years.

During a recent visit to the synagogue he presented a composition to cantor Shmuel Lerer. He has invited Mr. Lerer to sing as a soloist at a London concert later this year. Mr. Lerer reciprocated by presenting Dr. Klemperer with a book of psalms.

Dr. Klemperer has refused to conduct a concert in East Berlin in protest against the East German Government's anti-Israel policies.

"JOINT" ACCUSED OF ESPIONAGE

Angry Denial From Organization's Chief

Geneva, (JCNS) - A Polish newspaper's allegation this week that the American Joint Distribution Committee engaged in espionage for the United States has drawn an angry denial from Mr. Samuel Haber, the executive vice-president of the "Joint".

He declared that in its work of relief and rehabilitation for Jewish victims of war and persecution, the "Joint" had "scrupulously refrained at all times from political activities".

Mr. Haber added:

"It has never deviated from its principle of exclusive adherence to its humanitarian role". Wherever it was carrying on its humanitarian programs, "it has continued to guard zealously its complete independence from all political movements, general as well as specifically Jewish".

Until the "Joint" was ordered out of Poland last year it was, providing relief for more than 14,000 of Poland's remaining 20,000 Jews. Since 1914 the "Joint" has spent more than 24 million pounds assisting Polish Jews in need.

1967 AND ALL THAT.— Dean Regan, who lends his bit to the hilarity of Spring Thaw '68 which is running at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theater. Dean's many fans have become aware that on or off stage Dean is never without the hippie beads he wears around his neck in a double strand. When asked the reason for this new wardrobe acquisition, Dean refuses to comment. The beads usually are noticeable during the show, except when he wears costumes that necessitate the beads be worn underneath.

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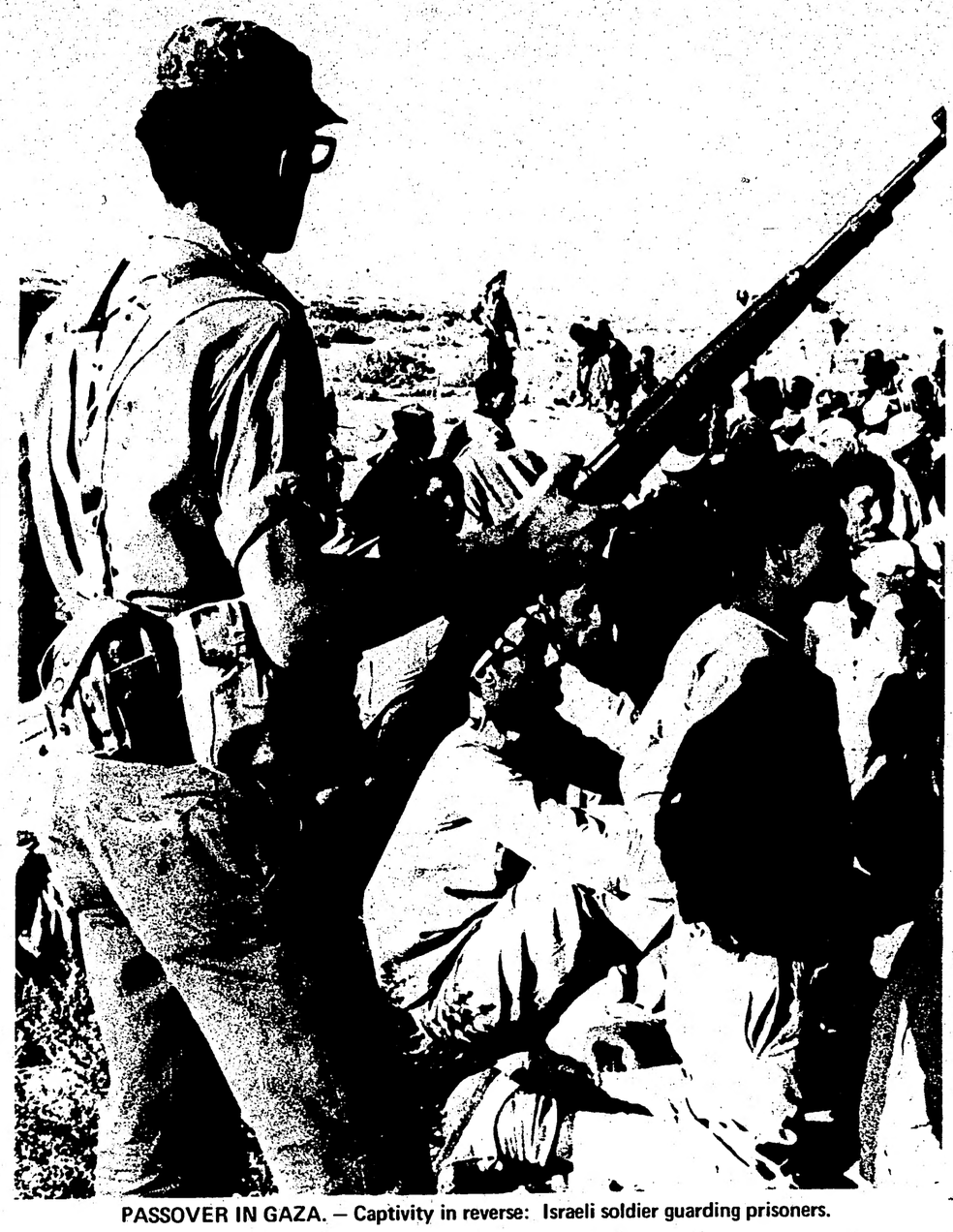

PASSOVER IN GAZA. — Captivity in reverse: Israeli soldier guarding prisoners.

JERUSALEM POST PROTEST

MAY FIRST JEWS

Jerusalem. - The following editorial appeared in the semi-official Jerusalem Post:

"On May 2, Israel will celebrate its 20th Independence Day with a grand parade through Jerusalem, the awarding of the annual Israel Prizes, the Song Festival, the Bible Quiz finals and other festivities. There will be much to celebrate, great conglomerations of people, including tens of thousands of tourists, and although the day is, of course, a full holiday for all ordinary employees, there will also be a proportion of people who will have to work twice as hard as normally, from the police to reporters and broadcasters.

The previous day, which falls on May 1 this year, is marked as Memorial Day for the fallen of Israel's wars, with services at all army cemeteries. May 1, as Labour Day, is also one of several optional holidays for government employees and teachers, who may choose between taking Labour Day or one of the minor religious festivals. May 1, celebrated for so long as the national holiday of the Labour movement has, if the truth is to be admitted, become something of a liability now that Independance Day, the State's national holiday, falls so close to it, sometimes just before, and sometimes just after. Few members of today's Labour Party wish to march along with a red flag today.

The popularity of anything even associated with Russia has not become any more popular since the Six Day War, or with a generation that must go out to fight terrorists armed with good Soviet Kalatchnikoff rifles. Nor has it gone unnoticed that May 1 has long been the favourite holiday for Nasserist-Communist groups in Nazareth, where a parade is held annually to mark the occasion.

Falling on Memorial Day, it is unthinkable that May 1 should be marked by parades by any Jewish organization this year, though no doubt those who wish will take the day off.

Only one trade will impose a compulsory work stoppage, the newspaper printers, who have decided that this year too there shall be no newspapers on May Day (which is thus celebrated from sundown on the previous evening, like any religious Jewish festival). This is not a matter of such because its printers formerly belonged to a separate union, and "Hatzofe," of the National Religious Party, which has simply always appeared on May 1.

Mr. Yeruham Meshel, the Histadrut Trade Union Leader, has many considerations to balance now that joint lists with Mapam are being established by the Labour Party in a number of union elections, but the public and national interest cannot be disregarded in this fashion. Newspapers are an essential public service. To leave the great majority without newspapers for two days running at times of celebration and holiday, but also of tension and general movement, all at the whim of a single union, is irresponsible."

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THIRD OF NEW IMMIGRANTS FROM THE WEST

Haifa, (JCNS) - Of the 23,000 immigrants who arrived in Israel after April, 1967, 8,000 came from the West. They included about 2,000 from the USA and 2,500 from South America, the chairman of the Jewish Agency, Mr. Aryeh Pincus, stated in Haifa.

He said that Western immigration could be raised to 20,000 a year if Israel changed her attitude to the Jewish communities in the West.

"We have always considered them a source of financial and political help, and should now change our approach and put immigration at the top of the list of priorities for these communities," he stated.

FIVE CANDIDATES FOR RABBINATE

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). — At least five rabbis, including one or two who are not citizens of Israel, have intimated that they are candidates for the post of Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv.

Apart from Rabbi Ovadia Yosef (Sephardi) and Rabbi Yedidia Frenkel (Ashkenazi), who have made their candidacies public, the names of the others have not been disclosed.

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BOOK REVIEW

Beth Tzedec Sisterhood Book Review takes place Thursday morning, April 25th. Julius Hayman will review, Our Crowd, by Stephen Birmingham.

MEETING

Next Sisterhood meeting of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue takes place Monday night. Cantor Zvee Aroni and cantata by the youth will be a feature. Election of officers will be held.

SALE

The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire and Children of the Empire, Junior Branch, will hold a sale of ladies' and children apparel next Monday.

BAR MITZVA BOY SETS EXAMPLE.— Danny Kornhauser is seen here presenting the cheques received at his Bar Mitzvah to Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Congregation, Downsview.—The total of $1076 was contributed by the recent Bar Mitzvah boy to Toronto's 1968 UJA-Israel Emergency Fund. At left, is Emanuel Kornhauser, Danny's father, and at right, Albert Waisglass, Adath Israel campaign chairman. The Kornhausers are members of Adath Israel Congregation.

LESSON FROM BAR MITZVA

A Bar Mitzvah boy is giving instead of receiving! Danny Kornhauser who recently had his Bar Mitzvah has given $1076.00, the total of monetary gifts he received from relatives and friends, to Toronto's 1968 United Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund.

The Downsview, Ont. youngster, having reached his maturity, is shouldering his share of responsibility to fellow Jews by this selfless giving. At the same time he is following the example of his father, Emanuel Kornhauser, and the latter's friends.

When the Six-Days Middle East War broke out last June; when Israel's troubles continued despite the victory, the Kornhauser family decided, as they planned Danny's Bar Mitzvah that it would not be right to make an elaborate party. The subsequent crisis in Israel re-affirmed their decision and they changed their original plan for an evening affair to a luncheon. Meanwhile Mr. Kornhauser got together a group of about 15 friends last summer, and despite the fact that most of them are ordinary wage-earners, they contributed a total of $7,000.00 to Toronto's 1967 Israel Emergency Campaign.

This expression of Tzedaka, of giving to help others, was carried on by Danny as he decided to give the cheques received to the UJA Israel Emergency Fund. Members of Adath Israel Congregation, the Kornhausers arranged to donate Danny's cheques through the Synagogue to the Fund and they were accepted by Rabbi Erwin Schild and Albert Waisglass, Adath Israel UJA-IEF chairman.

INSTALLATION

Installation of executive officers for 1968-69 of the Toronto Chapter No. 434, B'nai B'rith Women, was held recently. Mrs. S. D. Stork was mistress of ceremonies. Guests included Mrs. M. Sulman of St. Catharines, Mrs. L. Cherniak of Toronto. Mrs. L. Frieberg, incoming president of B.B. Women's Council, presented awards to Mrs. M. Caplan, outgoing president, and Mrs. M. Blackstein, fundraiser for 1967-68. Mrs. S. Seligman was installing officer, assisted by Mrs. S. Lewis. Officers: Mrs. J. Aiken, president; Mesdames B. Alter, B. Shooman, E. Rossman, vice presidents; Mrs. M. Cowitz, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. Kleiman, recording secretary; Mrs. M. Donn, financial secretary; Mrs. S.D. Stork, treasurer; Mrs. M. Caplan, counselor. Trustees: Mesdames D. Yoffe, H. Edelist, S. Hershoran, R. Sutin, A. Platt, H. Applebaum. Mrs. G. Mendley, program chairman, arranged a program of songs and musical selections by Shoshana, accompanied by Paul Berle.

TEA

Negev Chapter, Hadassah (Business and professional group), will hold its annual tea at the home of Mrs. M. Orfus, May 5th. Proceeds to Youth Aliyah.

DRIVE AWARDS.— A highlight of the Toronto's UJA-IEF "Haimishe Happening" held at Beth Tzedec, was the announcement of individuals, organizations, clubs and synagogues who have been awarded Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal Certificates of Merit for their efforts during the 1967 Israel Emergency campaign. Here looking over the scroll listing winners, from left are: David Anisman, past president, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and Mrs. Anisman. At right, Mrs. Saul Baker, Maurice Diamond and Mrs. Diamond, all members of All for One Mutual Benefit Society.

ADDRESSES VOLUNTEERS. — Arieh Eshel, Israeli Ambassador to Canada was guest of honor at Toronto's UJA-IEF "Haimishe Happening" held at Beth Tzedec. He is seen as he addressed the audience of more than 400 campaign volunteers and contributors. Philip G. Givens, Q.C., 1968 UJA-IEF campaign chairman, is seated on the dais at the Ambassador's left.

"House of Treasures".— Member of the Tri-Bell Ladies' Auxiliary contributed a cheque for $1,000 to Toronto's 1968 UJA-Israel Emergency Fund at their recent installation dinner. Phil Stone, Director, UJA-IEF Public Relations, accepted the cheque on behalf of the campaign. The funds were raised through a "House of Treasures" antique show and auction sale. Here, Mrs. Georgia Grossman, who was appointed for a second term as president, uses Stone's back to sign the cheque.

SHORT CUT
by Ruthie

Isn't it strange how year after year you go through the same ritual the same way? And you always wonder, how can you make it easier?

Of course, on Passover there's no short cut to custom. You're Pesakhdick, there are certain things you do or don't do, period.

But, after many years of marriage, repeating the same routine, you still can discover something new.

Like, I was reading my synagogue bulletin. And it gave instructions about making the home Pesakhdick. So it said that you can use the same pots and pans, if they're aluminum, you use all year—provided you submerge them in boiling water.

Now this I didn't know. Because, just as Mama used to, I keep separate sets of dishes and utensils I use only once a year. I don't kasher anything.

So when I read that, I figured, now's my chance. With everything else I have to do, including writing a column, I'll cut corners. If it's permissible, who am I to argue over it?

So I didn't bother to get the stuff out of storage—until the last minute.

I felt awfully uneasy all day Thursday. After all, you just can't shed a habit of years. So at night I said to myself, heck.

I got the keys to the store room, dug down and shlepped (dragged) up everything for Passover I could get my hands on. Because somehow I felt if I didn't, every ancestor would haunt me.

So, I gave myself extra work. But you can't imagine my feeling of satisfaction.

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It reminds me of one of my favorite cab driver.

We were discussing Passover while waiting for a red light to change. So, of course, being nosey, I asked, "You're having a seder?"

"Nu, sure," he glowed. "Every year I go to my mooma (auntie). She won't take no for an answer. She says, 'At least once a year you should be a Jew.'

"So I'm a Jew. I'm going to the seder."

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There's a similarity between me and Moses: he had a vision. But here we part company.

He dreamed of leading his people out of the desert. And it took him forty years, though he didn't live to see it.

Well, I'm dreaming of spending one Passover someplace where I don't have to work in the kitchen. Only I hope it doesn't take forty years (by the looks of it, it could take longer) and that I live to see it.

So when we come to the part in the Haggada that says, next year in Jerusalem, I always say, next year in the country (or at the seashore).

From year to year I say the same thing; maybe next year. And that's what makes it interesting, the suspense, always wondering when.

I can't imagine how I'll feel when it finally comes to pass.

Jerusalem we have; the country I'll have. So what next? But time to worry then.

Meanwhile, a fraylekhen moiyed (happy in-between—ask the rabbi to explain)!

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Recipe of the Week

BEET AND LEMON PRESERVE

2 lbs. beets (without tops)
1 cup coarsely chopped nuts
1 1/2 lemons
3 cups sugar
1 teaspoon ground ginger

Wash and peel beets. Cut in julienne strips or chop fairly fine. Put into a preserving kettle with enough water to cover and simmer until tender — about 15 minutes. Add sugar, grated rind and juice of the lemons and ginger. Stir until the sugar dissolves, then bring to simmering point and cook about 1 hour, or until syrup is thick and clear. Add nuts just before removing from heat. Pour into hos sterilized jars and seal any which is not for use within a day or two.

Marry-off girl saved from Nazis

Haifa, (JCNS).— During the Second World War, a Dutch couple, Mr. and Mrs. Vissers, hid a Jewish man and his wife from the Nazis for two years in their home. While they were in hiding a daughter was born to them, and she, too, was kept hidden by the Vissers.

Last week, Mr. Cornelius Vissers, 68, and his wife, Amanda, arrived in Israel for the wedding of the wartime baby whose life they saved. Now a 24-year-old Israeli, the bride, Miss Mia Amanda Hoffman, met the Dutch couple in Haifa when they arrived. Her husband is a Yemeni-born student.

On their last visit to Israel, the Vissers planted a tree in the Avenue of Righteous Gentiles in Jerusalem.

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The World Over

VATICAN PROFESSOR'S PLEA

Rome, (JCNS). — A suggestion for special protection of the Holy Places of the great monotheistic religious — Judaism, Christianity and Islam — by placing them in the register of cultural monuments, the preservation of which is guaranteed in time of war by The Hague Covenant of 1954, was outlined to a distinguished Vatican audience last week.

It was the theme of a lecture by Professor Pio Ciprotti, professor of ecclesiastical law at the Pontifical Lateran University, under the auspices of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. Present were members of the Catholic hierarchy, including Cardinal Eugene Tisserant, the grand master of the Order.

Professor Ciprotti emphasised that the issue of the Holy places must be considered in two parts with a clear distinction between each.

There was what he called the "problem", which was related to international law and to the political situation in the territories where the Holy places were located, and the "question", which concerned private law and the relations between the different cults interested in the Christian sites of veneration.

He then proposed internationalization of the Holy places as "the only possible solution in the present climate. It would not solve existing conflicts, but would guarantee religious interests."

However, the Catholic scholar did not spell out clearly whether he was referring to the plan for establishing an "international enclave", or to the more limited form of extra-territorial status for individual Holy places, as suggested by Israel.

Observers believe this vagueness, which is detectable also in recent Vatican attitudes, to be deliberate, presumably to allow for some elasticity in the event of negotiations.

ADDITIONAL GUARANTEE

Professor Ciprotti suggested the registration of the Holy places under The Hague Covenant as an "additional guarantee", and as far as the JCNS correspondent here knows, this is the first time such a formula has been mentioned by a Vatican source.

The professor pointed out that the Vatican enjoyed this additional protection, but he admitted that one of the two countries concerned might oppose the suggestion since the sovereignty of the territories involved had not yet been juridically established.

It is interesting to note that the issue has been raised by an authoritative source under Vatican auspices at a time when rumors are circulating in Rome that the Italian Government was one of a number approached by the French authorities not to take part in Israel's Independence Day celebrations in Jerusalem in May.

The main argument, reportedly used by the French, was that the Vatican stand, which, according to French interpretation, still advocates internationalization of the entire city of Jerusalem, must be supported.

Italian Foreign Ministry sources did not confirm or deny these rumors, but while they persisted, a review of the Italian press showed that "L'Osservatore Romano", the Vatican newspaper, was more cautious in its reports of Israel's retaliatory raid on the Karame terrorist base in Jordan than most of the other publications.

ACCUSED OF RECRUITING FOR ARAB TERRORISTS

Duesseldorf, West Germany, (JCNS) - Attempts to recruit young West German men for Arab attacks against Israel were made public last week by the arrest of Udo Albrecht, a 27-year-old merchant, at Dueren, near Aachen.

Police said Albrecht had tried to persuade an unknown number of young Germans to give armed help to the Arab terrorists, but they would not know if he had been successful until they learned whether any recruits had left for the Middle East.

Letters, seized at Albrecht's home, revealed that former West German soldiers had welcomed the Arab campaign against Israel, the police said. Their inquiries are continuing.

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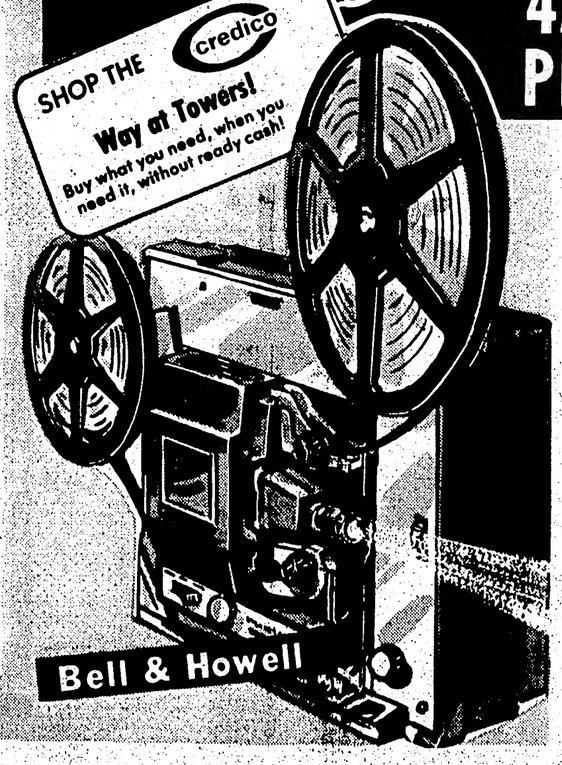

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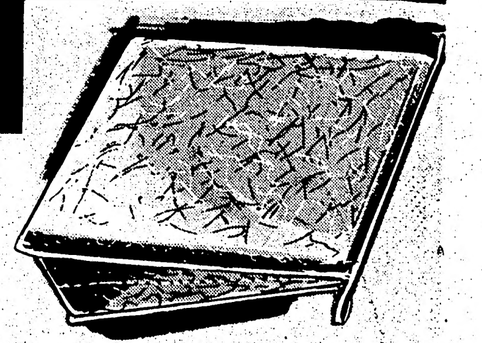

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